



INFORMATIONAL MEMO

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FEEDBACK**

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Purpose and Audience:

The purpose of this Informational Memo is to request additional feedback from all stakeholders on the draft reporting tool required in House Bill 18-1407. Changes were made to the draft reporting tool as a result of the initial feedback gathered at the House Bill 18-1407 Stakeholder meeting held on January 23, 2019.

Information:

Passed in 2018, HB 18-1407 requires the Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (the Department) to implement a 6.5 percent increase in the reimbursement rate for certain Home- and Community-Based Services (HCBS) provided to individuals receiving services through the Persons with Developmental Disabilities, Supported Living Services, and Children's Extensive Support waivers.

The increase applies to:

- Group Residential Services and Supports
- Individual Residential Services and Supports
- Specialized Habilitation
- Respite
- Homemaker Basic
- Homemaker Enhanced
- Personal Care
- Prevocational Services

- Behavioral Line Staff
- Community Connector
- Supported Community Connections
- Mentorship
- Supported Employment – Job Development
- Supported Employment – Job Coaching

The legislation includes provisions about reporting to the Department on how the 6.5 percent reimbursement increase is being used by Employing Service Agencies.

The Department has developed a draft reporting tool as required in House Bill 18-1407 that Employing Service Agencies will utilize to report their agency's usage of the 6.5 percent reimbursement increase.

After discussions with stakeholders at the meeting held on January 23, 2019, changes and updates were made to the draft reporting tool to improve functionality. To provide additional feedback on this version of the draft reporting tool, please email Anthony.howard@state.co.us by February 22, 2019.

To read more about the wage pass-through, see IM 19-011 at <https://www.colorado.gov/hcpf/2019-memo-series-communications>. This memo includes information about rates associated with the 6.5 percent reimbursement increase and proposed regulations.

Attachment(s):

- PDF Copy of the updated draft reporting tool.
- Copy of Signed House Bill 18-1407

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